



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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May 21, 2007

Notice of Proposed Action

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received an application for a Groundwater Discharge Permit, NEV2007503, from the following applicant:

Nevada Solar One, LLC
602 Eldorado Valley Drive
Boulder City, Nevada 89005

The Applicant proposes to continue to discharge a maximum of 150,000 gallons per day of industrial process wastewater, including cooling tower and boiler blowdown, equipment sumps, floor drains and wash water, service water, filter backwash, reverse osmosis reject water, and oil-water separator water, to the two Nevada Solar One Power Station (NSOPS) double-lined evaporation ponds. NSOPS is a 64-megawatt solar thermal electric generating plant located in Boulder City, Clark County, Nevada. Facility construction, startup, and initial operation are authorized under Temporary Permit TNEV2007380. Production of electricity is scheduled to start in May 2007.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NEV2007503 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand delivered, e-mailed, or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on June 20, 2007, to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of

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final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other project information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Bruce Holmgren, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9423 or at bholmgre@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the following website:

<http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>